

Transportation Accessibility Advisory Committee August 4, 2021 Berry Farrington and Sonja Burseth Engineering & Facilities



Better Bus Stops is Metro Transit's commitment to improving the customer experience at the bus stop.

- Transit information, accessible boarding areas and pedestrian connections
- Shelters, maintenance, and occasionally lighting and heaters





Better Bus Stops Five-year Goals

- People of color continue to have equitable access to shelters, light and heat.
- All bus stops with shelters have accessible boarding areas, pedestrian access, and clear spaces.
- Availability of accessible transit stops increases.
- Construction projects result in accessible bus stops.



Bus stop accessibility checklist

- Paved or hard surface
- Boarding area dimensions
- Boarding area cross slope
- Boarding area condition
- Obstacles
- Connection to pedestrian route



Shelter accessibility

- Inventoried field conditions at shelters 2019-2020
- Shelter accessibility
 - Shelter bench length
 - Shelter fit within the site





Strategies

- Five-year capital plan
 - Install up to 120 shelters
 - Replace up to 150 shelters
 - Improve boarding areas at up to 150 bus stops (without shelters)
- Data improvements
- Design guidance for roadway and development projects





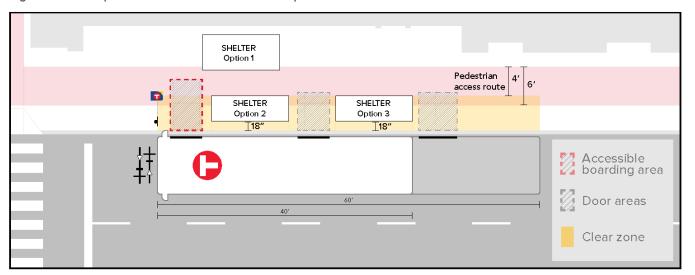
Regular-Route Bus Stop Design Guide



Why is this Guide needed?

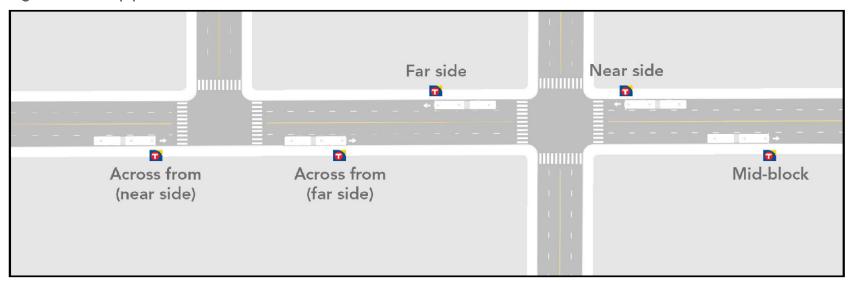
Bus Stop Zone Design: Shelters and PAR





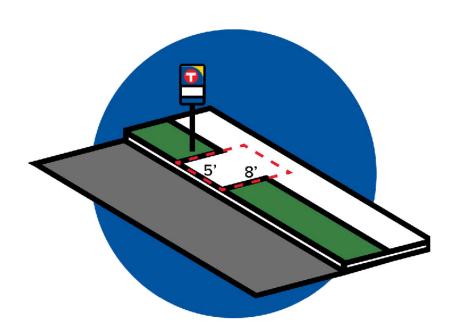
Pages of the Guide (1/1): Bus stop position

Figure 3 Bus stop positions: near side, far side, mid-block and across from



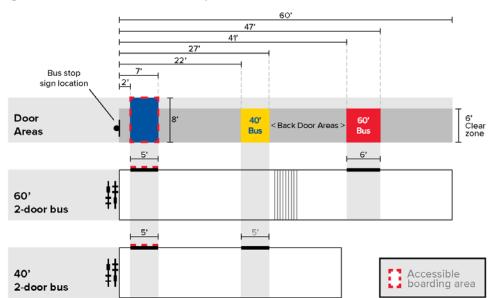
Pages of the Guide (2/2): Bus stop zone design – Accessible boarding area

Figure 15 Accessible boarding area (ADA pad)



Pages of the Guide (3/3): Bus stop zone design – Clear zone

Figure 13 Clear zone and door zones at bus stops with common Metro Transit buses





Conclusion

- What are your experiences with bus stop accessibility?
- Are there bus stop accessibility topics you would like to discuss in the future?
- Questions or comments?

Thank you

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